

VIRGINIA EMPLOYMENT SITUATION BALANCES

Reports From Cities Show Demand About Equal to Supply.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—An evenly balanced employment situation generally prevailed in Virginia during November, the increased demand being about equal to the supply in most places, and in a few industries the supply fell even short of the demand, reports to the United States Employment Service show. A survey of industrial plants revealed a marked employment increase in textiles; food and kindred products, metal and steel, and in tobacco manufacturing. Increased employment, while iron and steel and their finished products, leather, paper and printing and miscellaneous industries exhibit diminished employment. A further increase in the number of employed in the coal-mining industry is noted. Reports from employment service representatives in the following cities stated:

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Richmond—Labor supply and demand about equal, with the exception of a call for domestics. Food and kindred products, textiles, iron and steel, leather, metal and tobacco industries have slightly reduced forces. Sufficient employment available for all. Housing conditions fairly satisfactory.

Petersburg—Employment conditions good. Labor supply balanced by demand. All plants running. Considerable residential building in progress, keeping skilled craftsmen busy.

Lynchburg—Industrial employment conditions well balanced. Common labor well employed. Slight shortage in overall plant. Textiles, paper and printing, chemicals, tobacco manufacturing and vehicles for transportation show increased employment, while leather and its finished products have decreased employment. Food and kindred products steady.

CRIPPLED SCHOONER LIMPS INTO PORT

[By Associated Press.]
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 11.—Her boom and jibs gone, sails almost completely blown away, four feet of water in the hold, galley swept away, short of provisions and with a hectic tale of a sea voyage from Jacksonville to Hampton Roads, the American schooner Samuel Hathaway arrived here late Saturday night after the roughest passage that its master, Captain W. W. Elliott, ever experienced in all his experience as a mariner for twenty-five years.

The schooner sailed from Jacksonville in November, with cargo and deck load of lumber for Boston. No trouble was experienced at all on the first days of the trip and the captain had visions of a fast trip to Boston. However, when the schooner reached Cape Hatteras, a northwesterly struck her and for four days hovered over her, buffeting her about as if she were a toy.

MAKE 183 ARRESTS DURING NOVEMBER

PETERSBURG, Va., Dec. 11.—Director of Public Safety John Oley Walker, in issuing his statement for November this morning, showed that there had been 183 arrests for the month, which was lower than October, due to the fact that the juvenile case arrears being kept separate. Fines totaling \$14,000 were collected, while the value of the stolen property amounted to \$1,023; the police recovered \$872.

Drunks totaled fifty for the month, of which thirty-five were arrested, and three were arrested for violation of the State prohibition law. The cases were disposed of in the following manner: 11; discharged, 47; held for grand jury, 4; not disposed of, 17; sent to jail, 15; 21; to other cities, 7; ordered from city, 1.

The Woman's Bureau had thirty-four cases.

MRS. A. A. BERMAN DIES, CAR ACCIDENT RESULT

PETERSBURG, Va., Dec. 11.—Mrs. A. A. Berman, of Chesterfield County, who was injured on December 3, when struck by an automobile driven by Russell Cain, died this morning at the Petersburg Hospital.

The accident occurred directly in front of her home on the Richmond-Petersburg Pike as she alighted from her own automobile. Cain's car, which was coming to Petersburg, was rushed to the local hospital and her injuries, while serious, were not considered as fatal, but she gradually grew worse until the end came this morning.

No charge has been entered against Cain.

MANY ARE INDICTED ON LIQUOR CHARGES

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
AMHERST, Va., Dec. 11.—The grand jury has returned true bills against the following for violations of the prohibition law: T. B. Lebrick, W. E. Mayo, Eugene Peters, Will Norvell, Jesse H. Anderson, Norvell, E. T. Willis, William Williams. There are twenty prohibition cases pending and other indictments will be returned before the jury is discharged. Other indicted were William Jones, alias William Anderson, for obtaining money under false pretenses, and John Clark and Rudolph Clark for shooting Arthur Clark.

Becomes U. S. Commissioner.

Judge D. Lawrence Groner, of the United States District Court, yesterday appointed John Barlin Phillips to succeed William P. Wool as United States commissioner for the city of Alexandria and also to serve as deputy clerk of the District Court there. The term is for four years. Mr. Wool resigned several weeks ago.

POSES AS SON OF "J. P." TARHEEL LODGED IN JAIL

E. W. Frank, of New Bern, Finally Rescued by Anxious Father.

PETERSBURG, Va., Dec. 11.—Posing as the son of J. Pierpont Morgan caused E. W. Frank, of New Bern, N. C., to land behind prison bars last night, and today he is being held on a \$5,000 bond, while his father is speeding toward Petersburg, hoping to get here in time to save the young man from imprisonment.

According to the police, Frank entered a local cafe Sunday afternoon and put in a long-distance call to Richmond for an automobile agency, advising those on the other end of the wire that "this is the son of J. Pierpont Morgan, talking and our automobile has broken down on the Richmond-Petersburg pike, and father is anxious for you to rush mechanics to the scene immediately, as we are hoping to resume our journey to Florida before tonight."

Especially Anxious Appeal.

The voice on the other end of the wire eagerly responded to the appeal of "Mr. Morgan" and made all haste toward preparing for the trip to Petersburg and repairing "Mr. Morgan's car." Upon reaching Swift Creek bridge, where the accident to "Mr. Morgan's" car is alleged to have occurred, the Richmond men were disappointed to find the car "gone."

They proceeded to Petersburg, hoping to find the car there. "Mr. Morgan," but no one in Petersburg had heard that "J. P." was in the city.

The police were notified, after some time had been spent in vain. Detective Goodwyn started on the case and soon had the young man located. He was talking to a young lady when the officer approached him, so "Mr. Morgan" proceeded to tell the officer and for two hours led the officer a merry chase through alleys, over fences, down principal streets and finally ending up near the large house where he darted under a large piece of tin.

TWO N. & W. MEN DIE AS ENGINE TURNS OVER

[By Associated Press.]
ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 11.—Joe Bock, a Norfolk and Western engineer, and E. E. Neel, a brakeman, were killed when an engine and several cars of a Norfolk and Western freight train turned over near Welch, W. Va., early today. Bock, who lived at Flat Top Yard, Va., was a brother of Benjamin Bock, an instructor at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Neel lived at Bluffs. Fireman Rickenberger was seriously injured.

The wreck is said, in special dispatches from near the scene, to have been caused by a split switch. Engineer Bock and Brakeman Neel were pinned under the overturned engine. Four cars also went over. Both the dead men leave families. The injured fireman is in a hospital at Welch.

BIG STILL, FOUR MEN, CAPTURED IN COUNTY

HOPEWELL, Va., Dec. 11.—A 125-gallon capacity still was captured late Sunday afternoon in Prince George County, on the Port Potomac road, near Burrowsville, by Constables Johnson, Coffield and Custody. The still was in the custody of Frank Fidda, 38; John Hovan, 28, and John Hovan, 19, the latter a cousin of the elder Hovan. The still was filled with mash, with 400 pounds of sugar and a lot of other equipment fell into the hands of the officers.

The arrested men will be given a hearing before Judge Minter some time tomorrow.

Record Property Transfer.

A deed of bargain and sale was recorded in Chancery Court yesterday by which property at 2916 Floyd Avenue, fronting on Twenty-eighth street, is transferred by E. A. Moseley to James H. Evans, for \$9,500.

DR. CLIFTON M. MILLER IS KIWANIS PRESIDENT

Chosen to Succeed Thomas B. Howell. Other Officers Also Elected Last Night.

Dr. Clifton M. Miller was unanimously elected president of the Kiwanis Club of Richmond, at its annual meeting and feast at the annex of Murphy's Hotel last night. He succeeds Thomas B. Howell.

George J. Hoppa was elected to succeed Dr. Miller as vice-president; George S. Barnard was re-elected treasurer, and Josiah D. Hank, Jr., was chosen to succeed Dr. C. Brown Pearson as district trustee. Directors were chosen as follows: Oscar E. Parrish, Jesse H. Binford, James H. Cheek and W. Fleet Kirk. The secretary of the club is to be elected by the directors.

Mr. Howell, the retiring president, delivered his annual address, in which he told of the work done by the club during the year. He also paid tribute to the late J. Norman Darr, who was a member of the board of directors of the club. Reports were read by chairman of various committees. It was announced that the club is planning a party and will start the new year under most encouraging conditions.

MOUNTED CAVALRY SEEKING SMALL BOY

[By Associated Press.]
JUNCTION CITY, KAN., Dec. 11.—Three hundred mounted cavalrymen from Fort Riley passed today on the city shortly after noon today to take up the search for 5-year-old Marvin Keopke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keopke, missing since 5 o'clock last evening, from his home, eleven miles east of Junction City. One thousand farmers and townsmen, relieving a posse of several hundred that searched all night, took up the search this morning.

AMNESTY MEETING RESULTS IN WRANGLE

Members of House Charge Their Names Used Without Authority.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—During a wrangle in the House today over the mass-meeting held here yesterday by the joint amnesty committee, at which speakers advocated the release of those convicted under the war-time espionage act, several members of the House whose signatures, it was claimed, were attached to the call for the meeting, declared their names had been used without their authority.

Representative Ward, Democrat, North Carolina, and Representative Kilmer, Republican, New York, said they did not authorize the use of their names, and Representative Logan, Democrat, South Carolina, told the House he had been misled into signing the call, as he was under impression it "was merely a meeting in behalf of clemency for political prisoners."

Representative Linberger, Republican, California, read the call for the meeting and said he understood the gathering was in the nature of a memorial for Ricardo Flores Magon, a Mexican, who died in prison while serving an espionage sentence. Mr. Linberger said Magon's record, as compiled by the Department of Justice, showed that he had been expelled from Mexico for anarchy and that at Los Angeles he had published an article tending "to incite the assassination of public officials."

Representative Huddleston, Democrat, Alabama, whose name also was on the call, said "the circumstances of the meeting were explained to me and to the end that it might not appear that it was being held by a lot of Reds, I consented that my name be used, but I did not attend."

When Mr. Huddleston said there was no reason why the United States "should lag behind in releasing its political prisoners," Representative Mondell, Wyoming, Republican, asked by what logic they were designated as "political prisoners."

"Because they were not in accord with the purposes of our government during the war," the Alabama member replied.

Later he announced that "here and now I demand that the doors be opened to the sixty-two war prisoners still in our prisons."

HEATED DISCUSSION ON SEATING DELEGATES

[By Associated Press.]
CLEVELAND, Dec. 11.—The question of seating representatives of the Workers' Party of America, precipitated a heated and prolonged discussion at this afternoon's session of the first meeting of the second conference for progressive political action and caused an early adjournment when the question was referred back to the credentials committee for further consideration. This committee hoped to report to the conference tomorrow. Unofficially, it was reported the committee would refuse to seat the Workers' party representatives on the ground they were "un-American and anti-labor," and had not been invited to sit in the conference.

CONTROLLING RIVER WOULD HELP NATION

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Completion of the Mississippi River levee projects would benefit the entire nation, as well as the section immediately affected, witnesses today told the House Ways and Means Committee at the opening session of its hearing on the Mississippi flood control bill. The witnesses declared that by inclosing the river in a continuous system of levees from the Delta to Kansas City and the Illinois River, navigation would be increased, agriculture, commerce and industry would be benefited, millions of dollars worth of crops and property annually flooded would be saved and loss of life would be stopped.

Mrs. Rhodes Is Acquitted.

Following an all-day hearing in Hastings Court yesterday, jury night returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of Mrs. N. L. Rhodes, charged with arson. The main witness for the prosecution was E. F. Fisher, who was jointly charged today, and it was said last night a nolle prosequi would be asked.

Culver Academy Damaged.

CULVER, IND., Dec. 11.—Damage estimated at \$200,000 was caused by fire which broke out at the Culver Military Academy here late this afternoon. The large door target range composed of forty-six targets, and a building in which aviation equipment was stored were destroyed. The military science classroom building was damaged.

Belgian Queen Shops in Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The Queen of the Belgians is in Paris, incognito, doing her Christmas shopping. Arriving last night, she started early this morning to visit the department stores and her dress-makers.

CHARGE OF SHORTAGE MADE AGAINST BANKER

Alexandria National Accuses Former Vice-President J. Lawrence Perry.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ALEXANDRIA, Va., Dec. 11.—J. Lawrence Perry, former vice-president of the Alexandria National Bank, has an alleged shortage in his accounts of \$22,500, according to an announcement made by the board of directors, signed by C. E. Nicol, president, made public today.

The bank official set forth in the statement that this alleged shortage is covered by a \$15,000 bond of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, and that if there is any loss to the bank it will be paid out of the surplus and undivided profits of the bank.

Up to November 29 of this year, Perry was in charge of the savings department of the bank. He had been connected with the bank since its organization in 1904. Perry is one of Alexandria's best known residents, and the announcement of the alleged shortage came as a distinct shock to his friends. It is believed the alleged shortage will be made good.

COULD'S "FOSTER" SON ORDERED TO ASYLUM

[By Associated Press.]
COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 11.—W. Gould Zorrow, who claims to be a foster son of the late Jay Gould, today was ordered recommended to the South Carolina Hospital for the Insane by Circuit Judge T. J. Mauldin, who heard habeas corpus proceedings for Zorrow in an effort to obtain his release. Attorneys for Zorrow, contended that he had been held illegally in the hospital here for the last sixteen years.

When Mr. Zorrow appeared before the Governor of Virginia for assistance in securing his freedom.

MADAME GADSKI CALLS OFF CONCERT

[By Associated Press.]
LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 11.—A scheduled meeting of the police commissioners, at which it was to be decided whether Madame Johanna

Gadski, opera singer, could appear in concert here tonight, was called off late today, when Madame Gadski issued a statement declaring she would not attempt to sing for a Los Angeles audience at this time.

Madame Gadski explained that while information received here from the Department of Justice showed there was no ground for charges brought against her of procuring activities during the war and although she believed members of the American Legion themselves would be the first to defend her against ruffianism at her proposed concert, she nevertheless did not "wish to be the innocent" cause of even an unpleasant incident.

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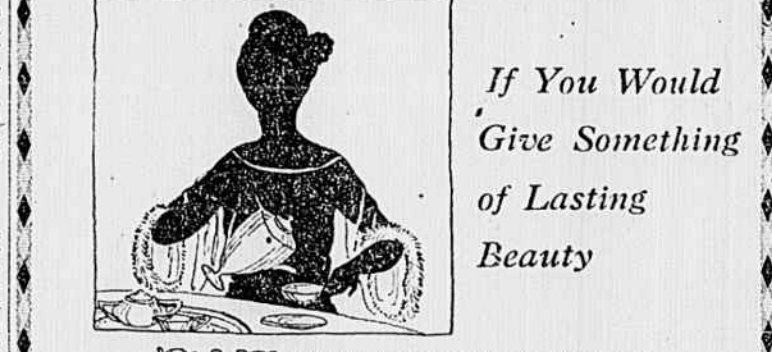
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